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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 9, 2002, having a three-(3) month shortened statutory period for reply, please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record.

**In the Specification:**

Please replace the abstract and insert the attached abstract, on a separate page following the claims.